

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 15, 1892.

The Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am advised by the Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department that the Managers of the World's Columbian Exposition have furnished so far \$800,000 in vouchers, and as soon as these vouchers are passed upon and approved by the accounting officers warrants will be issued on the Treasurer for the amounts of the same, and which will be made payable in Columbian half dollars.

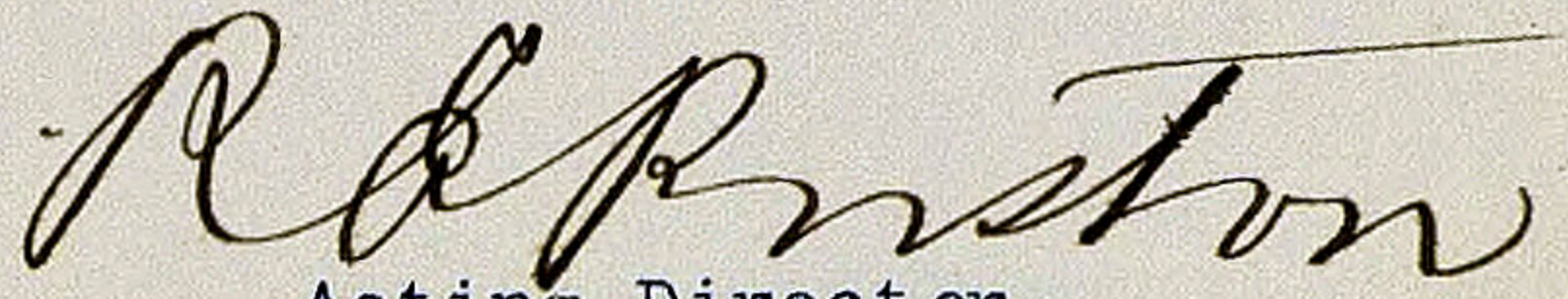
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I notice from your cashier's daily statement of the 13th inst. that you have on hand about \$140,000 in these coins.

It behooves you to make some effort to increase the coinage of the same, and I trust that you will give this matter your immediate attention.

Very respectfully,


Acting Director.

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